

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

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CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims priority to International Application No. PCT/CA03/000991, filed June 30, 2003, entitled APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR HOLDING IN POSITION ADJACENT FACING ENDS OF TUBE SECTIONS FOR HOLDING THEM BY WELDING, which claims priority to Canadian Patent Application No. 2,396,176 filed on July 29, 2002, entitled APPARATUS FOR ALIGNING TWO PARTS TO BE WELDED, the disclosure of both applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.